

## House Resolution No. 798

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are delighted to honor an outstanding Missourian who has witnessed dramatic changes in America during her sojourn on this most precious earth; and

**Whereas**, Mary Christina Ward of St. Mary's Manor in Blue Springs, Missouri, commemorated the resplendent occasion of her One Hundredth Birthday with a special celebration on February 12, 2005, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Independence; and

**Whereas**, on February 12, 1905, in Kansas City, God brought the second of four special gifts to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Boch with the birth of an adorable infant by the name of Christina, who would put a twinkle in their eyes and fill their hearts with love and joy; and

**Whereas**, while celebrating her birthday, Christina Ward had the opportunity to reminisce about some of the significant events in her life such as being married on January 3, 1930, to Robert Lynn Ward, and giving birth to their offsprings; and

**Whereas**, God has blessed Christina Ward with the love and affection of a wonderful family whose members include four children, R. Vincent Ward, the Reverend Thomas J. Ward, Mary C. Meyer, and Teresa M. Daniel; and

**Whereas**, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Christina Ward has also enjoyed recognition by working as a volunteer, attending St. Agnes Academy in Kansas City, traveling throughout Europe and South America, and attending the Independence wedding of Margaret Truman; and

**Whereas**, at the respectable age of 100, Christina Ward is extremely grateful for the countless blessings she has received throughout the course of her long and eventful life:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations and special birthday greetings to Christina Ward at this significant milestone and in wishing her peace and contentment as she continues to enjoy her golden years; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Missouri centenarian Mary Christina Ward, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Bryan Pratt  
District No. 55

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do  
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. 798, adopted February 28, 2005.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker